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concerning any matters which the Committee believes to be in the best interests of justice, including, but not limited to, the following:

- (1) Establishing and modifying policies and procedures of the Department;
- (2) Improving management, particularly with respect to the relationships between the Department and the U.S. Attorneys:
- (3) Cooperating with State Attorneys General and other State and local officials for the purpose of improving the quality of justice in the United States;
- (4) Promoting greater consistency in the application of legal standards throughout the Nation and at the various levels of government; and
- (5) Aiding the Attorney General, the Deputy Attorney General and the Associate Attorney General in formulating new programs for improvement of the criminal justice system at all levels, including proposals relating to legislation and court rules.
- (c) The Committee shall select from its membership a chairman, a vice-chairman and a secretary, and shall establish such subcommittees as it deems necessary to carry out its objectives. United States Attorneys who are not members of the Committee may be included in the membership of subcommittees.
- (d) The Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys shall provide the Committee with such staff assistance and funds as are reasonably necessary to carry out the Committee's responsibilities.

[Order No. 640–76, 41 FR 7748, Feb. 20, 1976, as amended by Order No. 960–81, 46 FR 52340, Oct. 27, 1981]

§ 0.11 Incentive Awards Board.

The Incentive Awards Board shall consist of the Deputy Attorney General or a designee of the Deputy Attorney General, who shall be the chairperson, and four members designated by the Attorney General from among the Assistant Attorneys General, bureau heads or persons of equivalent rank in the Department. The duties of the Board shall be:

(a) Consider and make recommendations to the Attorney General concerning honorary awards and cash awards in excess of \$7,500 to be granted for suggestions, inventions, superior

accomplishment, or other personal effort which contributes to the efficiency, economy, or other improvement of Government operations or achieves a significant reduction in paperwork.

- (b) Consider and make recommendations to the Attorney General for transmittal to the Office of Personnel Management and the President for Presidential awards under 5 U.S.C. 4504 and 5403.
- (c) Evaluate periodically the effectiveness of the employee recognition program and recommend needed improvements to the Attorney General.

[Order No. 960–81, 46 FR 52340, Oct. 27, 1981, as amended by Order No. 2949–2008, 73 FR 8815, Feb. 15, 2008]

§ 0.12 Young American Medals Committee.

There shall be in the Office of the Attorney General a Young American Medals Committee, which shall be composed of four members, one of whom shall be the Director of Public Affairs who shall be the Executive Secretary of the Committee. The Chairman of the Committee shall be designated by the Attorney General. The Committee shall issue regulations relating to the establishment of the Young American Medal for Bravery and Young American Medal for Service provided for by the act of August 3, 1950, 64 Stat. 397, and governing the requirements and procedures for the award of such medals. The regulations of the Committee in effect on the effective date of this part shall continue in effect until amended, modified, or revoked by the Committee.

[Order No. 423–69, 34 FR 20388, Dec. 31, 1969, as amended by Order No. 445–70, 35 FR 19397, Dec. 23, 1970. Redesignated by Order No. 543–73, 38 FR 29583, Oct. 26, 1973, as amended by Order No. 960–81, 46 FR 52340, Oct. 27, 1981]

§0.13 Legal proceedings.

(a) Each Assistant Attorney General and Deputy Assistant Attorney General is authorized to exercise the authority of the Attorney General under 28 U.S.C. 515(a), in cases assigned to, conducted, handled, or supervised by such official, to designate Department attorneys to conduct any legal proceeding, civil or criminal, including